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For

METHOD FOR MANAGING OBJECTS IN A

COMMUNICATION NETWORK AND IMPLEMENTING

**DEVICE** 

## PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Hon. Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

In the US national phase application of PCT/FR99/00943 filed herewith, please enter the following amendments

## IN THE TITLE:

Please amend the title to read "METHOD FOR MANAGING OBJECTS IN A COMMUNICATION NETWORK AND IMPLEMENTING DEVICE".

#### IN THE DESCRIPTION:

Page 1, lines 1 and 2, delete "PROCESS FOR MANAGING OBJECTS IN A COMMUNICATION NETWORK AND DEVICE FOR THE IMPLEMENTATION THEREOF" and insert – METHOD FOR MANAGING OBJECTS IN A COMMUNICATION NETWORK AND IMPLEMENTING DEVICE --.

### IN THE CLAIMS:

Please amend the claims as follows:

1. (AMENDED) [Process] Method for the distributed management of a catalogue of objects in a communication network comprising devices, the process comprising the [step] steps of:

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